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SPRINKLERS AVERTED FIRE.

Narrow Escape from Serious Loss at Thread Company's Plant—Arson Alleged.

A fire that for a time threatened to cause serious damage to the American Thread company's plant in this city late Wednesday afternoon, was fortunately checked by the action of automatic sprinklers with which the big plant is well equipped, combined with the prompt assistance of a portion of the company's fire brigade.

The fire started in the picker department of No. 4 mill and is said to have been caused by a lighted match thrown into the loose cotton by one of the employees. Frank Dube, aged 18, of 12 Valley street extension, it is believed that if the fire had occurred just before quitting time when the employees were leaving the mill, a large damage would have resulted. As it was, the intensity of the flames started the automatic sprinklers and thus a conflagration was averted.

Young Dube was arrested and locked up at police headquarters on the charge of arson, and will be given a hearing in police court this morning. It is not known how much the amount of damage is, although it is said the damage by water alone will be considerable. It is said that witnesses saw Dube strike a match and throw it into the loose cotton, but failed to ignite. Then he is said to have lit another and the second attempt was successful. Dube claims that it was purely accidental, and that the fire originated by reason of a truck passing over the head of a match that flew up into the cotton and set it ablaze. He claims that the alleged witnesses have a grudge against him for reporting them to the boss, because they were accustomed to roll, light and smoke cigarettes in the mill on the sly.

Special Meeting Town School Committee.

At a special meeting of the town school committee Wednesday evening, Dr. James F. Twomey, acting as chairman in the absence of Dr. F. E. Guild, it was voted to accept the resignation of Miss Thelma L. Gidman of Windham as a teacher in the Windham high school. Her successor was not appointed, pending consideration of a number of applications. It was also voted to appropriate the sum of \$200 for school libraries for the ensuing year.

The question as to whether or not the children of Samuel Bycel, who lives in a house on the town line between Mansfield and Windham, should be educated without charge came up for consideration. It was decided after a thorough discussion that the five in the town of Mansfield and that a further charge will be made if they continue to attend school in Windham.

Border Grange Elects Officers.

Border grange, No. 83, P. of H., at its meeting in B. S. hall Wednesday evening, elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Master, Clifford L. Clinton of South Windham; overseer, John H. Allen; lecturer, Mrs. John M. Gagar; steward, Charles Huntington; assistant steward, Bernice Emerson; chaplain, D. A. Lyman; secretary, Mrs. L. M. French; treasurer, J. M. Shepard; gatekeeper, Winfield L. Andrews; Ceres, Mrs. C. C. Richmond; Pomona, Mrs. Helen S. Elmore; Flora, Mrs. Frank P. Fenton; lady assistant steward, Miss Rose Nerwen; trustees for three years, Walter E. Knight.

JEWETT CITY

Lewis-Hyde Wedding—Fifth Grade Pupils Hold Christmas Exercises—Theft of Fowls.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hyde of Canterbury at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 21, their eldest daughter, Sarah Ethel, was united in marriage with Wilfred Pease of Plainfield in the presence of members of the two families. The Rev. E. W. Potter of Jewett City performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by her youngest sister, Mrs. E. C. Hyde, and the groom by his brother, Harold Lewis. The ring bearer was the groom's little niece, Miss Helen Ashley. The bride wore white lilies and carried white carnations. The bride's maid wore white lace over pink and carried pink carnations. Following the ceremony, an elaborate breakfast was served. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will reside in Whitinsville. Master Lewis is employed as a moulder in the factory.

There were many useful and beautiful gifts. Mrs. Lewis is a niece of Mrs. William Johnson of this place. Mr. Lewis is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Johnson of Lisbon.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

Held by Pupils of Fifth Grade at Riverside.

The Fifth grade in the local school held their Christmas exercises on Wednesday afternoon in Miss S. Nettie Johnson's room. Mrs. Edith Soule's room uniting with them. In Miss Johnson's school the exercises were presided over by Stella Cote, Nellie Barry, Julia Paquette, Fred Bryant, Julia Javestock, Josie Brodacki, Angelina Vien, Alice Moore, Pauline Peltier, Blanche Jodoin, Della St. John, Annie Sauicki, A. A. Young, Jr., Regina Lafare, Alice Kelly, Nettie Larkham, Joseph McCarthy, Ethel Thompson, Annie Davis, Celia Derusha and Jennie King, and exercises and dialogues by Clara Adams, Agnes Brickleley, Agnes Polier, Everett Hiscox, Jr., John McBroome, Robert Olsen, Joseph McCarthy, James Dolan, Daniel Finn, Jr., Andrew McNicol, John Potts, Herman Guillette, Ethel Thompson, Blanche Jodoin, Agnes Peltier, Regina Lafare, Nellie Brickleley, Eva Popham and Jennie Barry.

From Mrs. Soule's room there were two recitations given by Jeanette and Randolph Ledoux and a song by Henry Bottomley, a recitation by Fred Clarke and exercises by Royce Ledoux, Orville Ledoux, Ovella Asher, Jeannette Le-

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doux, Novella Bedard, Ida Labarre, Flora Marion, William Driscoll, Thomas O'Brien, Daniel Boucher, Randolph Auclair, Arthur Cyr, Marjorie Lyden, Henry Bottomley, Charles Langlais, Irving Thornton, Rosanna Fontaine, Josephine Fontaine, Joseph Driscoll, John Gilmer, Louis Harvey, Louis Murphy, Lena Bechard, Donald Dugas and Ella Oakes.

Notes of the Holiday Season.

The Riverside grammar school closes this (Thursday) afternoon for a ten days' vacation.

Charles Burleson is at home from Yale university.

Keeney Potter, who is home from Mt. Hermon for the holidays, is visiting his grandparents in New Haven. R. R. Wilcox is ill at his home in Sydenham.

Mrs. Nellie Hooper and three children go to Manchester-by-the-Sea today (Thursday) to spend the remainder of the week.

Mr. E. R. Burstead went to Pawtucket Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Frederick Morse.

John C. Hawkins lost one of his handsome turkeys and a number of his chickens a few days ago. The thieves stole the turkeys and left the chickens and leaving them on the spot.

Herbert Payne of New Haven is at home for Christmas.

Miss Florence Wilcox came Wednesday evening from Smith college for the holidays.

Slater library will be closed today and Saturday.

COLCHESTER

Officers Elected by Oliver Woodhouse Lodge—Icemen to Improve Cold Snap.

At the meeting of Oliver Woodhouse lodge, K. P., Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Chancellor commander, A. B. Taylor; vice chancellor, Samuel McDonald; prelate, Fred W. Holmes; master of work, George Gilmore; master at arms, Amos C. Chase; keeper of records and seals, F. E. Baker; master of finance, Allen G. F. Wickwire; master of execution, William C. Curwen; inner guard, H. Busiowitz; outer guard, H. Grobert; representative for two years, George Gilmore; alternate for two years, M. J. Porter; trustee for three years, James A. Thomas.

Mrs. C. C. Barton and two sons of Norwich are guests of Mrs. Barton's mother on Main street.

Clayton D. Barton of East Hampton was in town Tuesday.

Miss Lottie Destin will be spending the winter with friends in Orange, N. J., was at her home on South Main street Tuesday.

Judge Wallis and Edward C. Snow were in town Tuesday.

John Esterius was in Norwich Tuesday.

To Cut Ice at Once.

A number of the farmers and icemen are getting things ready to all their icehouses. The ice has been six and seven inches on the smaller ponds. The Providence Dairy company are having their large icehouses cleared out and will put on a large force of teams and men in a few days. The house is near the station at Turnerville and a number of teams and men from here will go up to help.

Dr. Guy B. Vroom of New Haven was in town Tuesday evening attending the meeting of the K. of P. He is a member of that lodge. Dr. Vroom had a dental office in this place for a number of years before going to New Haven.

Wickwire was home from Hartford Tuesday evening to attend the meeting of the K. of P.

Bored Well 247 Feet.

The men who have been driving the well at Judge Wallis' place on upper Broadway have finished their work. The depth reached is 247 feet and a good supply of water is obtained.

Mrs. G. G. Wickwire is in town for New York, where she will be the guest of her son for the holidays.

BALDIC

616 Red Cross Stamps Sold in St. Mary's School Tuesday—Roll of Honor for Term—Rev. M. J. Lynch Speaks on Tuberculosis.

St. Mary's parochial school closed Tuesday afternoon for the Christmas recess. Through the painstaking efforts of the principal, Rev. M. J. Lynch, the fall term has been a very successful one. Following is the roll of honor:

Eighth grade—James J. Brown, Francis Kelly, Marguerite Donahue, Arthur Roy and Madeline Gallagher.

Seventh grade—Peter Hussey, Harold Reardon, Dennis Gareau, James Hussey, Doris Holmes, Rose Delina Gareau.

Sixth grade—Antonette Viau, Willie Caron, Teresa Rayno, Lucille Bolvert, Helen Roy, Loretta Lacroix.

Fifth grade—Anna Fancher, Irene Roy, Corina Legros, John Brown, Wilfred Marshall, Severin Pratta, Alfred Pelouquin, Eugene Boucher, Robert Hines, John E. Charron, Albert Gaudin, Blanche Phaneuf, Philip Harard, Angelina Mossey and Adrien Blais.

Fourth grade—Irene Vieau, Regina Blewenn, Eva Marshall, John Donahue, Margaret Milley, Marcella Pratte, M. Rahaw, B. Charron, William Cooney, E. Cardin, A. Herard, Margaret Lilly, A. Roy, J. Farrel, L. Besette and V. Larose.

Third grade—R. Grenier, Rose A. Charron, M. Duffey, J. Hussey, D. Raveneau, A. Lenoir, A. Lenoir, A. Lenoir, Loretta Dowd, Eileen Brown, Amanda Phaneuf.

Second grade—Della Gamelin, Lea Leith, Gladys Ballard, Emelia Gillean, Leonel Deslandes, Edward Polenando, Dolores Lacroix, Lina Chretien, Pamela Fournier, Rosilda Herard.

First grade—Victoria Cardin, Oneda Lalibert, Corone Belanger, Angelina Gareau, Ida Grenier, Juliette Phaneuf.

Rev. Father Lynch visited the different school rooms on Tuesday and gave an excellent address on Tuberculosis and exhorted the children to help in the good work being done towards aiding the sanitarium at Norwich. As a result Father Lynch sold 616 Red Cross stamps.

Dr. Day in Lighter Vein.

At the final chapter service of Syracuse university previous to the holiday recess Chancellor Day is said to have remarked:

"I hope that you are favored with good sleighing while you young people are at home. I hope also that all of you young men know how to drive with an arm. If I were a girl I would not go driving with a young man unless he could drive with one arm."

Heretofore Dr. Day has been known to fame as the chief mathematician of the "crime against prosperity." The great and glorious trusts have been the theme of his eloquent and fervid public speech. But if this report of his chapel address is correct, he is showing softer moments, when he can forget the larger affairs of society and state and address himself to matters that are usually supposed to be beyond the purview of a college executive.

The chapter of Deland's Left-Handed from Syracuse, "was received with enthusiasm by the students," a statement that assumes additional interest when it is recalled that Syracuse university has a conductional institution.

—Providence Journal.

Knicker—Several thousand shirt waist makers are on strike. Henpeck—Do you suppose it would do any good for the shirt waist buttons to strike?

—New York Sun.

A. J. BIRDSEYE WRITES

Strong Letter in Defense of Highway Commissioner MacDonald.

To the Editor of The Hartford Courant:

Having been a member of the legislature of 1907, which made the first adequate appropriation for road building, I will be observed by reference to the law of 1907 that the commissioner has no power to build roads without the consent of the town and has no choice as to the kind of roads they may desire constructed. Macadam has often been insulted upon by towns whose selectmen have had no seeming appreciation of the fact that macadam is expensive to maintain as well as construct, most of them with an utter disregard of the value of anything they did not pay for, having let them go to rack and ruin in spite of the protests of the commissioner.

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It is plainly evident that the condition of the kind, or the width of our present roads are not due to the neglect or incompetency of the commissioner.

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I am of the opinion that now the commissioner may have the machinery and power to maintain state roads that he will give all Connecticut an object lesson of cheap and effective maintenance by employing a man, horse and pile of stone for a given stretch of road, which will be obviously cheaper than neglecting it until it is in a state of ruin.

Fourth—He has pleaded and fought with the people all over the state for fourteen years to awaken them to action on the subject of good roads and whatever of advancement we have made in this direction is due as much, if not more, to his efforts, than any other man in America, being the oldest road commissioner in point of service in the United States and the recognition of his works on the subject, his lectures and addresses all over this country, and the demands made upon him for advice and counsel in road building are ample proof of this assertion.

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